

AMITY TOWNSHIP PLANNING COMMISSION
REGULAR MEETING
July 10, 2019

The Regular Meeting of the Amity Township Planning Commission was held at the Amity Township Municipal Building located at 2004 Weavertown Road, Douglassville, Berks County, PA. The meeting was called to order by Paul Weller, at 7:00 P.M. with a salute to the flag. The following people were in attendance:

Commission

Paul Weller, Chairman
Julie Marburger, Vice Chairman
Dwight Buckwalter
Thomas Flatley
Terry Jones

Staff

Mr. John Weber, LTL Consultants, Engineer
Ms. John Muir, Kozloff Stout, Solicitor
Troy Bingaman, Amity Township Manager
Kathie Benson, Amity Township Planning Commission Secretary

Mr. Buckwalter moved seconded by Ms. Marburger to approve the minutes of the Regular meeting of June 12, 2019. *Motion carried unanimously.*

78 TOLL GATE ROAD - PRELIMINARY PLAN - BOYER ENGINEERING

Original Submission 05.08.19: expires 07.06.19

Extension #1 approved 07.03.19; expires 12.18.19

Nothing to report at this time.

ZONING - VARIANCE REQUEST

TOM HEFFNER - ABOUT ALL FLOORS - 5 MAPLEWOOD DR

Mr. Weber reviewed this variance request is for a Second Use of a Landscape business on a Single Commercial Lot, while two uses are allowed the Landscape Business is not a defined use. Mr. Heffner reviewed he purchased this 2 Acre parcel and currently will only be using the building as his retail location. His other location will be used for his warehouse needs. He is looking to rent the fenced in area to Solid Rock Landscaping to provide displays of different samples of landscaping for potential clients. Solid Rock is not looking to store vehicles. They are planning on keeping their current location as well for trucks and product storage. Having the displays and products in a fenced area they feel is a good business decision. Mr. Weller moved seconded by Ms. Marburger to recommend the Zoning Hearing Board grant the request to allow the applicant to have a landscape business at this location. *Motion carried unanimously.*

ORDINANCE

Nothing at this time.

CORRESPONDENCE

OTHER PLANNING COMMISSION ITEMS

Mr. Jones requested the Planning Commission recommend the Board of Supervisors allow the Planning Commission to look at a possible change/definition to our ordinance and define Landscape/Contractor business. Mr. Weber stated there is a hole in the ordinance with no definition. Mr. Flatley stated he can provide a sample ordinance from Limerick that states how much equipment can be outside and how much needs to be stored inside, plus screening to be provided. Mr. Weller made the motion seconded by Mr. Flatley to request the Board of Supervisor's allow our professionals to review our ordinance and provide a recommendation to define and set parameters for Landscapers and Contractors. *Motion*

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carried unanimously. Mr. Jones stated this can be done in conjunction with another ordinance change and not incur advertising and hearing costs for this change alone.

Mr. Jones moved seconded by Ms. Marburger to adjourn the meeting at 7:13PM. *Motion carried unanimously.*

Respectfully submitted,

Kathie Benson
PC Secretary